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Dec. 24.—Fall Term ends, Tuesday.
Winter vacation of two weeks.
1879. Jan. 9.—Winter Term begins, Thursday.
Mar. 25.—Junior Exhibition, Tuesday evening.
Mar. 25—Winter Term ends, Tuesday.
Spring vacation of two weeks.
Apr. 10.—Spring Term begins, Thursday.
June 24.—Annual Examination begins, Tuesday.
June 29.—Baccalaureate Sermon and Anniversary of Phila delphian Society, Sunday.
June 30.—Examination of candidates for admission, Monday.
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I. E. L.

Gray Father Time, who with his sickle mows
A goodly swath of men in many a field,
Who calls us one and all to wait and yield,
Nor sparing him who near his sickle goes,
Has taken from our midst one whom we thought
Would live long years, to give with tongue and pen
Strong words of help unto his fellow men.
But as he went, he left behind him nought
That would not make us cherish all the more
The memory of this kind and cultured man,
Who but so lately life's short pathway ran,
And caused our hearts with grief to swell full sore.
But good deeds of good men live long as light,
And he once loved ne'er drifts from our mind's sight.

D.

IDEALS OF MANHOOD.

There have been three great ideals, on which, one after the other, the gaze of the civilized world has been fixed,—the ancient heathen warrior, the medieval knight, and the modern man of culture. In the ancient and heathen ideal, the physical man was most prominent. The early Greeks were a race of athletes with perfectly developed physical forms. The shrine at which they worshiped was the shrine of physical beauty. They admired most the symmetrical figure, the hardened sinew and the powerful physique. We are strikingly impressed with this when we survey their exquisite productions of art. In their delineations of character morality is less esteemed than bravery or valor. It is a significant fact that in the ancient languages, the word which originally meant manliness, came to signify bravery or valor. Homer pictures Odysseus as versed in all the arts of chicanery, even an adept at lying, provided he is successful in his exploits. He represents Achilles as an invulnerable warrior, whose shining armor is but the signal for the retreat of the enemy, praising his valor, but leaving uncensured that obstinate, sullen selfishness with which he cruelly suffered the Greeks to perish at the hands of the victorious Trojans.

Such, then, was the ideal man of the ancients. It gave rise to an age of warriors, such as the world has never since produced. The magnificent generalship of Cæsar and Alexander, and their splendid world-conquests, are but the result of this ancient ideal.

In the medieval knight the admiration for physical strength and prowess has not disappeared, but it has been wonderfully transformed by the better development of soul and sentiment. Among the elements of knightly character, these are to be specially noticed, their reverence for woman, their acute sense of honor and their devotion to religious principle. In no other age do we find a character so susceptible to woman's charms and influences. By their oaths of knighthood they were bound to protect her. In the lordly castle she rules with queenly grace, and in the battle or tournament inspires them to their mightiest exertions. The gallantry of the knight is proverbial. We picture him, to-day, as a stalwart warrior armed cap-a-pie, and ready to do or die for lady fair or honor's name.

Their code of honor was most minutely prepared, and toward friend or foe most relentlessly lived up to. Life was of little account where reputation was at stake. For every affront, real or fancied, the knight true to his honor must stand and defend himself.

The knight errant was always seeking to perform some noble, generous deed. Their devotion to their religious belief brought about the crusades, that most brilliant passage in medieval history. It was the chivalry, the gallantry, and the religion of the knight from which has sprung the romance of the middle ages. The medieval ideal of man was superior to the ancient in

that it contained more of the intellectual and spiritual.

Turning now to the present, how has it developed into the ideal of to-day? In this period of enlightenment, upon which the wisdom and experience of past ages is concentrated, in which men may learn in a week what has cost a lifetime of thought and study, what qualities of manhood awaken in our hearts the noblest aspirations?

The physical man has passed quite out of view. The mere substitution of firearms for the sword and spear has made the weakling a match for the giant, so that the modern warrior is not so much dependent on his superior strength of muscle for the victory. The supremacy of the intellectual life has commenced. The motto adopted is, "In the world there's nothing great but man, in man nothing great but mind."

It is true that there exists to-day a great many different notions of what constitutes the highest manhood. But amid all conflicting opinions, we can distinguish several great and constant characteristics. All acknowledge the superiority of the intellectual life. The great majority, in one way or another, are seeking intellectual development, and our great heroes are not those who have the brawniest muscles, but those who possess the most forgetive intellects.

The ideal man of to-day must possess also a certain æsthetic refinement, not simply an appreciation of the fine arts and the beauties of nature, but also a social culture, consisting not so much in a mere acquaintance with the outward forms of society as in a sincere regard for the happiness and well-being of others.

But, above all, in the modern ideal is to be found moral and religious development. The cultivation of conscience, an implicit faith in the Supreme Being and an exalted idea of the life to come pre-eminently characterizes the ideal man of to-day.

The modern man, with finely developed intellect, is, without doubt, vastly superior to the ancient. But we make a mistake in neglecting the physical culture which has immortalized the Greeks. Too often an intellectual genius is fettered by physical infirmity, and vast as is the improvement of the modern man over the mediæval, there are some points in which we have fallen behind him.

It would be well for the present age if, with all its learning and culture, if, with all its civil and religious liberty, it could acquire more of that old knightly sense of honor, more of that chivalric spirit which was ever ready to sacrifice self on the altar of principle.

And may we not expect that in the future, when the race has attained to still higher ideals, the physical beauty of the Greek, the staunch honor of the knight, as well as the intellectual culture of to-day shall be combined in the coming man?

ADVANTAGES AND DISADVANTAGES OF THE AMERICAN NOVELIST.

It has been assumed by many critics that the disadvantages of the American novelist are greater than his advantages. The supposed literary superiority of England, the provincial life of America, seemed to them to outweigh any solid advantages that might be admitted. The absence of all those romantic localities found everywhere on English soil and in English history, the want of a haughty aristocracy who take pride in their national history, the matter-of-fact spirit which rules the Western world, all these, it is claimed, are insurmountable obstacles to the advance of the American novel. But shall we say that these disadvantages, however great they may be, overshadow the magnificent advantages which surround the novelist on every side? Few countries possess a history so checkered and unusual as ours. From the very first settlement through all the varied scenes that have marked her progress, other issues have been at stake, other questions have risen for solution than have occurred in the history of any other nation. Our history has not been wanting in lofty, ideal characters, filled with all the com-

plex passions of the human heart. Noble patriotism, Christian virtue, heroic endurance of wrong, stoic disdain of death, loves that are tender and true have not been lacking with us. From the great range of characters at the disposal of the historic novelist the genius of Fennimore Cooper and Nathaniel Hawthorne have already reaped a rich harvest, though they have given us but a taste of its resources. There is the Indian, whose firm, stoical character surpasses the proud Roman in his fearlessness in the face of death. Here is a field exclusively our own, and every state and territory in the Union is teeming with romantic legends concerning those wild peoples. Then we have the restless Spaniard, the old English navigators, the adventurous Dutchman of New Amsterdam, the Puritans of New England, the French of Canada. We have the old time aristocracy of Virginia with its princely appendages, the high life of New York under the reign of the Georges, the simple, rigid, yet healthy life of the New Englander. Then the early wars through which we passed, from the destruction of the heroic, patriotic Philip, martyr-king of Mt. Hope, until the final victory over the English on the bloody field of New Orleans in 1815, are the most remarkable series of wars on record.

The history of those times was not lacking in romance; wild startling exploits that make the blood leap to think of. Who has read the celebrated plea of Rufus Choate in behalf of the early colonial life, and not been filled with the consciousness that if ever there was need of a Walter Scott, we need him to illustrate our early history by a series of New England Waverleys?

These are the advantages offered in so manifold profusion to the historical novelist, but what are the advantages to the novelist who would treat of our present social life? The most noticeable fact that strikes our attention is the immensity of our land, buried in Arctic snows, fanned by tropic breezes, shrouded by the fogs of the Atlantic, and dipping its rocky coast into the Pacific seas.

And again in this expansive territory we find the blood of every nationality. We have the ingenious Yankee, the fiery Southerner, the swaggering Californian; we have the Irish, the French, the Swede and the German. We have the negro character of which Mrs. Stowe has written so successfully. There is hardly an occupation that does not have its representatives among us. Our agricultural, mining, manufacturing, commercial interests furnish just so many classes of character to the novelist. We now have populous cities, and still retain our rough frontier life. And then the form of our government has a tendency to call out the individual characteristics of all these races.

And now for the character novel, where would you look for a field more expansive, more varied and more fruitful?

The human heart, the center of all novel writing, is the same the world over, and through all time. The noble patriotism in the bosom of the proud Roman is in no way superior to the throbbing, stifling emotions that fill the Red Man's breast as he is driven from his native hills to find a home in unknown regions, and to contend for his life against unknown foes. The tenderest love of England's noblest dame is no loftier an emotion than that which wastes the cheek and lays in the cold grave the heart of a Union soldier's loved one.

And finally, it is of the greatest advantage to the American novelist that no one has pre-occupied the field. Who in England dares take up the magic mantle of the historic drama which Shakespeare left behind? Or with Walter Scott dares strike again the "Northern Harp," "hung on the witch elm that shades St. Fillan's spring," and "bid the enchauntress wake again?" The American novelist has not yet been fettered.

With a history unrivalled in its force and strangeness, with a social life as peculiar as it is various, with a government powerful to call out the natural forces of the individual character, there is thrown open the freshest and most luxuriant field yet surveyed by the aspiring genius.

NEATNESS AN ESSENTIAL CHARACTERISTIC OF THE STUDENT.

We have often heard the saying, "Cleanliness is next to Godliness," and although its origin may be obscure, it certainly is worthy the wisdom of a Solomon or a Socrates, and it applies to students as well as to cooks. If one is careless, negligent or slovenly by nature, these traits will be revealed soon after entering college if they ever are; and that there is, among students, a strong tendency in this direction, is plainly evidenced not only by the personal appearance of some, but also by the manner in which many of them keep their rooms. It would be useless to attempt to give a complete picture of one of these rooms, for the condition of some of them beggars all description; but in many of them you will find things in a state of general confusion; various articles of clothing deposited in chairs scattered about the room; tables loaded down with newspapers, books, old letters and scraps of waste paper; window sills a general repository for dumb-bells, bottles, books, wash bowl, towels and looking-glass; bookcase crammed with shaving utensils, collar boxes, pipes and tobacco, neckties and almost anything except what a bookcase was made to contain; ashes scattered about over the stovehearth and floor, while the accumulations of dust and dirt in all parts of the room would seem to indicate that a broom was an article unknown.

Students sleep in beds that are seldom made up from one year's end to the other, save when now and then a sheet wears out and they are obliged to put on a new one. They take the cistern water, which in warm weather is fairly alive with half-developed musquitoes, worms, bugs, wigglers and other small fry and use it for drinking purposes, keeping it long enough, one would think, for all animal life to become extinct, and then call it fresh. In the winter they come into the chapel Sunday morning with uncombed hair, with night dress on, in fact just as they scrambled out of bed, with the exception of boots, pants and overcoat. These may seem like trifling things, and so perhaps any one of them would be, but taken altogether, they show with accuracy the peculiarities of one's nature in respect to order and neatness. Now if students are indifferent as to their personal appearance, or the appearance of their rooms, it is unwise to indulge any such propensity. If we may rely upon the words of others who have been through the mill and therefore speak from experience, the four years spent here is the formative period of our lives. They tell us that we will form habits of study and thought, that will cling to us for years; that our minds will very likely be turned into those channels which they will follow through life; that our characters will retain for the most part the same general shape into which they are moulded by college life; and so it must be with the habits formed during our course, in regard to neatness. If we are careless, negligent and slovenly here, these habits will cling to us hereafter and will characterize us wherever we are and whatever our occupation.

These peculiarities must necessarily have a greater bearing upon our welfare in life in the future than at present. In the miniature life we lead here, where our success is estimated largely by the work done in the class room, these matters may not seem to have much weight; but when we leave college and enter into real life to earn a livelihood by our own efforts, then these negligent, slovenly traits which we have fostered and encouraged by our heedless ways, will have a tendency to appear in our labors, whatever they are, and will depreciate their value, so that we cannot accomplish what we otherwise might.

Even if we do not care in regard to ourselves, attention to these matters is a duty we owe to the rest of mankind who do care. We have all known persons who were repulsive to us on account of their lack of neatness, and this peculiarity was an outgrowth of just such habits as many a student is cultivating. As this is an evil which requires neither wisdom nor strength to correct, but only a little thoughtfulness and time, would it not be well for some of us to attempt a slight reformation in this respect?

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EDITORIAL.

THE UNDERGRADUATE sends greeting to its patrons and friends. A new year of existence has lent a new lease of life to the enterprise. On a sound financial basis, with the hearty co-operation of numerous friends we hope to be able to inform the public not only what is taking place in our college life, but also what our alumni are doing in the world without. The college and its interests are the interests of THE UNDERGRADUATE. We shall endeavor to lengthen our personal column, and furnish frequent papers from the alumni and faculty on topics of interest to all. To this end we ask the aid of all who are interested in the college. Communications from the alumni are especially solicited. Answers to the following questions would be very acceptable: What was the character of college instruction in your day? Who were your classmates and what are they doing? What questions were agitated while you were in college? Papers on such topics would be of historic worth and interesting to all.

Our literary department is thrown open to all students. Although we cannot promise an opportunity to win immortal fame, still we feel sure in saying that it is a gymnasium where careful study, concise thinking and patient advancement can be attained. Nothing can be of more importance in college routine than the encouragement of good writing. We need this exercise. Always to be drawing in and never giving out stupefies the brain. Standing water always stagnates.

We ask our alumni to be lenient in their criticisms of this department. If they get no instruction let them read to study the student's mind. Let them reflect that the brawling brook comes before the mighty river, that the "drill day" must come before the battlefield.

WE NEVER can be too proud of our campus, but there are one or two things that might be bettered. The English elms in front of Star hall are fine trees, but are too near together. They shade all the front rooms and render the lower ones especially gloomy and disagreeable. There seems to be a general feeling that every other tree should be taken out. The benefits of such an action are many, while the harm would be very small, if any. A crowded tree can never be a very interesting sight.

IT IS very natural and very easy at the beginning of the year to pause and congratulate ourselves over the prosperous condition of the college. Students, as a class, are apt to be hypercritical. They see a great many circumstances which do not accord with their individual feelings, and they are inclined to constitute themselves the judges of what is best and what not. It is good for us to contemplate the best side of things.

While many colleges have suffered with the times both in their finances and the number of their students, Middlebury has held her own. There are some cases reported where the whole fund to which the college looked for support has gone down in irrecoverable failure; again, an income of fifty thousand dollars has dwindled to twenty thousand. Middlebury, with a principal

of some one hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars, has had but a few hundred dollars decrease of income during these years of depression.

The Freshman class this term numbers twenty-one, a decided advance. That this advance has been made in the face of the present money depression among men who come to college, and in the face of the rigorous requirements for entrance, is a matter of interest. With Dartmouth on the one hand and Williams on the other who open their doors to all without special examinations, Middlebury has progressed by shutting her doors closer and requiring more from those who come to enter.

What reasons can we assign for this success? The answer is very simple. It shows what an interest the alumni of the college are taking in her welfare. A large and active alumni are the strongest bulwarks of any institution. More than state support, more than wealthy friends, more than the magnificent architecture of her buildings and even the world-wide reputation of her faculty, the alumni constitute the great heart of the college, filling the whole body of the institution with warmth and vigor.

Again, it shows the growing confidence of the people. The world is always disgusted with retrogression. A sinking ship is deserted by the mariner, however bold may be his heart, and however tender memories bind him to her. But the world always admires progress, and especially if it be progress against great odds. There is a certain admiration of the powerful forces that often are directed to the extension of what is false and unreal, but when the mighty forces of truth sweep along carrying all with their irresistible current, then the true heart of humanity applauds and gives it utmost confidence.

The effect of all this upon college life is at once manifest. The undergraduates are filled with a healthy loyalty to their own college. The honor of their institution is their own honor; and at their studies and in their recreation they do more justice to themselves and their Alma Mater.

Mr. Gilbert C. Lane of the class of '53, who died in 1858, bequeathed a handsome sum to Middlebury College Library. This being invested in the west at that time, has become available within the last year. Mr. Lane, it will be remembered, was a superior scholar and a poet of great promise. His health was not the best while in college, and from over-exertion, mental and physical, he was brought to an early death. He was elected tutor in the college in 1856. He held the position only two terms, being prostrated by a severe fever. His poems have been collected and published in pamphlet form with a memoir of his life. They may be found in the college library, and are of considerable interest, especially when looked at as promises of future greatness. His last days were spent in preparing a commentary on the Greek history of Herodotus.

Mr. Lane founded the Cornwall town library by a gift of one hundred dollars, and was a liberal donor to the American Board and the American Tract Society. A part of his gift to our library has been invested in the following books: "Mycenae and Tyrius" (Schliemann), Rawlinson's "Ancient History," Forsyth's "Life of Cicero," "Cicero's Philippic Orations," "Roman Poets of the Augustan Age," Curtius, "Greek Etymology" Vol. 1 and 2, "The Ancient City," "Fragments and Specimens of Early Latin," "Anglo Saxon for Beginners," "Anglo Saxon Reader" (Sweet), "Roman Imperialism," "Language and Languages" (Farrar), Illman's "Classical Mythology," "Philology of the English Tongue," "History of the English Tongue," "History of Latin Literature" (Schmitz), Chamber's "Etymological Dictionary," Rich's "Dictionary of Roman and Greek Antiquities," "Classical Study" (Taylor), Merivale's "General History of Rome," Roby's "Latin Grammar" Vol 1 and 2, Becher's "Latin Grammar and Reader," Havelacques's "Science of Language," Fischer's "Latin Grammar and Reader," Haldeman's "Outlines of Etymology," Keightley's "Mythology," Zumpt's "Latin Grammar."

From the agitation of the different college papers over the lack of sobriety in college meetings, and from observation in our own college, we are inclined to think that it must be an universal frailty among students. While there is ample room for the exercise of all boyishness and other sub-freshmen characteristics on the campus and ball ground, we are sorry that the college meeting should be selected as a fit occasion to display one's utter lack of decency. The upper classmen, especially, who ought to set the example and carry themselves with due propriety, seem to have forgotten their responsibility. Let us in the future have college meetings more worthy the dignity of old Midd.

College hunt has proved for itself this year the pleasantest occurrence in college life. A hard day's hunt, the excitement of the count, the supper and toasts that follow, the recounting of mutual experiences and the songs, all conspired to make a perfect harmony of jollity.

The slaughter of foxes, raccoons, skunks, grey squirrels, woodchucks and ducks was beyond all precedent this year. We trust that the students will never again let this occasion dwindle away into a "mountain day." In the eloquent words of the captain of the defeated side, we say "the shades of the persecuted farmers of this vicinity will rise in blessing upon the students of Middlebury college for ridding them of the destroyers of their granaries and meadows, and orchards and cornfields."

It is a rare occurrence to find an editor of a college paper who does not try to get out of his maiden blunders by some slander or other, but we must say that our financial committee has been so active in obtaining advertisements, that we find ourselves much cramped in this issue. Either they must restrain their ardor, or else keep on in their zeal until they compel us to enlarge our paper. We hope in our next to re-arrange matters so that we may have more room.

TOWN AND CAMPUS.

Did you hunt?

Especially campus.

No more holidays this term.

Are you able to distinguish the Freshmen?

The Seniors are reading Spenser under Prof. Brainerd.

What a nuisance it was to return all the borrowed game, wasn't it?

The new board of editors can be found by referring to the editorial column.

The Hawthorne club read Bulwer's "Lady of Lyons" last Friday evening.

Warner of '81 has been obliged to leave college on account of ill health. He is in hopes to enter '82 during next year.

The organ and choir no longer afford a haven of refuge for Sophomores who neglected to get out their lesson during the previous night.

Dugald Stewart has been recuperating at Bread Loaf Inn, but has now returned, looking as healthy and happy as good mountain air can make one.

Now and then a cane is swung, but more often the picture we see is a Freshman flying in mid-air while a Sophomore occupies the foreground, breaking a cane over his knees.

One of the Freshmen has roomed alone until the past week, when he was presented with a sprightly little terrier. He calls him '82 and nick-names him "Tooty". One of the '80 men proposes to get one and call him (o)y for short. See?

The Oxford cap question is being agitated in the Freshman class. A vote taken at a meeting where fifteen were present, stood eight to seven in favor of its adoption. One of the eight moved that the dissenting seven be compelled to purchase. It was not carried.

The slight bruise which Harry Dorr of '80 received on the night of the Incineration, has developed into a very serious injury. He is now in Boston under the care of a competent surgeon, and we hope will soon be among us again. We wish he might leave behind that fund of wit and humor which invariably surrounds him.

That football is an institution. Among the upper classmen, muscles and tendons have been brought into action which have lain dormant since Freshman fall. It is amusing to see how suddenly a man will make up his mind that he is tired and lie down to rest, after kicking with all violence at the spot where the ball had been just an instant before.

We knew from practical experience, after the cane

rush the other day, of the efficacious power of arnica in relation to wounds and bruises, but as we believe our interior is in a healthy condition, we enter a solemn protest against having it applied internally, as happened the other day, when our hostess, mistaking a bottle of it for vanilla extract, served it up on slices of pound cake for tea.

The following is a partial account of the whereabouts of the Faculty, during vacation. Profs. Higley, Brainerd and Means, camped on Diamond Island, in the northern part of Lake Champlain, for several weeks. Prof. Albee and wife spent the summer at Rye Beach, N. H. Pres. Hulbert was at Bread Loaf Inn. He took a trip up Mt. Mansfield with Dr. McCosh. Prof. Parker was at the White Mountains.

A base-ball association has been organized in college with the following officers: President, H. R. Dorr; vice-president, F. June; secretary, J. L. Barton; treasurer, W. N. Bixby; manager, A. C. Peck; stewards, C. B. Ross, S. A. Barrett; captain of nine, P. M. Meldon. The positions of the nine are as follows: Catch, Oliver; Pitch, Meldon; 1st B., Walker; 2d B., Harvey; 3d B., Pollard; S. S., Farnsworth; L. F., Whipple; C. F., Ross; R. F., Scofield; Scorer, Greene.

One of the most exciting cane rushes that have ever taken place here, occurred at the opening of the term. The battle was hotly contested, and although the Freshmen had two men for each Sophomore and five or six men to take care of the cane, nevertheless it was a long time before they could get it out of the way. Now and then one Freshman would seize another and work with a right good will to spoil his clothes, until some one informed them that they were classmates. The personal appearance of the classes at the close was so amusing that a general shaking of hands ensued, and everything ended amicably.

THE FOLLOWING are the names of the present Freshman class: E. E. Cowles, New Haven, Vt.; J. C. Miller, Hartford, Vt.; J. D. Hutchinson, Antrim, N. H.; H. E. Howard, Concord, Vt.; Frank Brown, Cornwall, Vt.; W. H. Hoyt, Sandgate, Vt.; F. E. Frisbee, West Port, N. Y.; J. Humphrey, Mechanicsville, N. Y.; S. J. Preston, Waltham, Vt.; C. B. Ross, Poultney, Vt.; E. O. Oliver, New York City; F. A. Walker, G. N. Pollard, Ludlow, Vt.; C. G. Leavenworth, Randolph, Vt.; G. M. Rowland, Edwardsville, N. Y.; I. C. Hill, J. E. Buttolph, C. D. Pillsbury, Wm. Powers, Middlebury, Vt.; B. W. Pennock, Rutland, Vt.; S. A. Barrett, Woodstock, Vt.

The classes have elected their officers for the ensuing year as follows: Senior class—President, F. E. Whipple; vice-president, E. R. Brainerd; secretary, E. H. Farnsworth; treasurer, J. W. Chapman; poet, H. Hulbert; orator, W. Dawson; historian, D. Stewart. Junior class—President, S. B. Cady; vice-president, P. M. Meldon; secretary, W. M. Bixby; treasurer, W. A. Guernsey; poet, H. R. Dorr; orator, J. C. Scofield; historian, F. A. Parker. Sophomore class—President, J. C. Harvey; vice-president, F. June; secretary, W. S. Greene; treasurer, J. L. Barton; poet, J. C. Harvey; orator, M. Brooks; historian, F. June. Freshman class—President, S. Preston; vice-president, F. Brown; secretary, G. M. Pollard; treasurer, G. Rowland; poet, C. Leavenworth; orator, E. Oliver; historian, G. Rowland.

The college hunt this year was a decided success in every particular. Hulbert was captain of the winning side, while Brainerd, with two little foxes, might have held an equal honor. Griswold brought in the largest count for Hulbert, scoring 1,050. Whipple's count was 550, being the largest count for Brainerd. Harvey took the honor of first count, bringing in one poor, lonesome, persecuted little woodpecker, which contained from ten to twelve ounces of shot. The score at the close was 2,905 for Hulbert against 2,705 for Brainerd. The supper at the Pierce House was finely gotten up and thoroughly enjoyed. After the supper, toasts were proposed and responded to in a manner which contributed much to the pleasure of the evening. The party broke up in the "wee, sma' hours" with the usual list of songs and glees into which students delight to throw their heart, soul and voice.

PERSONALS.

'37. Edson Forbes of Washington, D. C., was in town last week.

'39. J. G. Saxe and family spent the summer at Schroon Lake, N. Y.

'40. Hon. E. J. Phelps spent a great share of the summer on a walking trip through the State, for his health.

'46. Peter Starr of New York City, was in town through vacation.

'51, Prof. Solon Albee spent the summer at Hampton beach.

'62. Col. Lyman E. Knapp has a son a few weeks old.

'67. J. M. Slade was elected State's Attorney for Addison county at the last election.

'67. Geo. C. Lawrence is State's Attorney for Rutland county.

'69. Frank Church, Denver, Colorado, is on the Republican county ticket for senator.

'75. F. G. Swinington is practicing law in Rutland.

'75. Rev. Lawrence Phelps was married during vacation to Miss Cora Kingsley, of Middlebury. He is settled over the Congregational church at Barton, Vt.

'76. J. W. Abernethy has finished his post graduate course at Yale College, and is at present in Middlebury.

'76. C. M. Prynne returned from England some time ago, much improved in health. He is now local editor-in-chief of the Springfield Republican.

'76. E. C. Evans has been engaged to preach in Potsdam Junction during the coming year. He is taking a short vacation in Wales while his house of worship is being repaired.

'77. J. M. Hull is in the Newton Wesleyan Seminary, Connecticut. He has been preaching in Windsor, Vt. C. B. Moody has returned to Hartford Theological Seminary. He has been preaching during the summer in Whiting, Vt.

'77. C. B. Warner goes to New York soon, to study medicine at Bellevue.

'77. H. P. Stimson is under the employ of Col. Proctor in the Sutherland Falls marble works.

'78. Wm. J. Fish is the principal of Beeman Academy, New Haven, Vt. W. D. Smith and E. E. Rogers are in Union Theological Seminary. Their address is No. 9 University Place. J. W. Flagg is professor of mathematics at Burr & Burton Seminary, at Manchester, Vt. W. H. Shaw is professor of classics in Mechanicsville, N. Y. Don P. Hardy is at his home in Auburn, N. Y. Fremont Hamilton is at home in Brandon, Vt. M. B. Manley is studying law in Manchester, Vt. Julius W. Atwood is studying theology in New York city at the Episcopal seminary. Jack C. Stapleton is in Middlebury.

'80. W. H. Sheldon has gone to New York, for the purpose of studying medicine at Bellevue.

'80. H. B. Boice has left college for a year, and will start for Kansas soon, where he will spend the coming winter.

OBITUARIES.

I. E. LEONARD.

The following is a copy of the In Memoriam gotten out by the Delta Upsilon Society of Middlebury College on the death of I. E. Leonard, class of '79:

Again, after the lapse of two short years, we grieve to record the death of a beloved brother in Delta Upsilon.

Brother I. Edward Leonard, a member of the class of '79, after an illness of nine months, died July 12, 1878.

To the relatives and friends of the deceased we extend our hand of sympathy and consolation. The ties of blood are the only ties stronger than our brotherhood in Delta Upsilon, and we of all others can deeply sympathize with them over their loss.

He was indeed "the noblest of us all," the favorite of his class, a scholar of more than ordinary ability, a poet whose strength and beauty of style only began to shine forth during his last days.

His love for Delta Upsilon was tender and true. His noble friendship as a brother was more to us than words can tell. His pure love of nature and her unseen God, his ready Christian sympathy for all, his quiet manner and noble bearing, can never be forgotten by us.

During the last autumn of his life, when the seeds of death had already begun their work, the soul of our beloved brother and poet caught a glimpse of the destiny of life, and wrote in prophecy of his own departure, in words more exquisite than the golden hues of the landscape he so much admired:

Autumn's face appears again,
Sweet and sad as e'er of old,
Misty eyes and drooping lids,
Locks of richest sunset gold.
Ah! but do you mark her breath?
'Tis the gentle sigh of death.
Faint her ebbing pulses beat,
Gone the summer's warmth and glow,
Soon her face will pass away,
Winter winds shall o'er her blow.
Ah! stern death, thy chilling pall
Falls upon earth's beauties all.

ETHAN ALLEN STURTEVANT.

Ethan Allen Sturtevant was born in Weybridge, Feb. 21, 1839, and resided in that town principally, until his entrance into Middlebury college, after fitting in "Uncle Ben" Allen's famous school in Vergennes, in the fall of 1859.

Battling against all obstacles with indomitable resolution, he worked his way through school and college, graduating in the class of 1863. He subsequently removed to Michigan, and graduated from the law school of the University of Michigan, at Ann Arbor, in 1865, and was immediately admitted to the bar, having besides the law school course studied in the office of ex-Gov. Felch, who designated him the brightest and best student he had ever had. Locating first at Manchester, Mich., he soon after removed to the city of East Saginaw, where he commenced practice with the late lamented Wm. H. Button, Esq.

In 1870, his health having failed him in the uncongenial climate of Michigan, he returned to Vermont. The change of climate restored him to comparative health, and he decided to open an office and remain here. Since then his health has at various times been in a precarious state, but with a pluck and perseverance which astonished all beholders, he clung to life and to hope with a tenacity that made him a wonder. Notwithstanding his infirmities, complicated as they were, and in a large measure of that discouraging nature characteristic of hereditary disease, he yet accomplished success in his profession and won a respectable share of the practice at the bar. In counsel he was quick to discern, and honest to advise. In court he was sharp, short and fearless, devoted to his clients and his cause. If need be he had vials of wrath to pour upon his opponents, while his interlocutory ebullitions of wit were often wont to relieve the tedium of dull routine business, and frequently convulsed his hearers, even the dignified occupants of the bench.

His health had been failing gradually during the spring, but both he and his friends hoped that he would rally and live through the summer. His end came peacefully and without much evidence of suffering, the last hours of his dread malady being borne as patiently and forbearingly as the many years of sick-

ness and suffering which preceded them. A wife and two children survive him, and have the heartfelt sympathy of all in their bereavement.

THE LATE REV. DR. FITCH.

The Rev. Chauncey W. Fitch, D. D., died July 13, 1878, at the residence of his son in Jeffersonville, Indiana; was born in Rensselaerville, N. Y., in 1801. He graduated at Middlebury college in the class of 1824. He received his theological training in the Alexandria Seminary, where he graduated in 1827. Subsequently he was Professor of Languages in the Millitary Gymnasium at Georgetown. D. C. About 1818 he became Professor of Languages in Kenyon College, O., where he remained ten years, having for his pupils in these two institutions some of the afterwards noted men of the country.

May 16, 1838, he accepted a position as principal of the Detroit Branch of the University of Michigan, which position he held until May, 1842, when he became rector of St. Paul's church, Jackson, which rectorship he filled until 1847, when he removed to Piqua, O.

From 1847 to 1866 he held positions in Ohio and Indiana. The Hon. Edwin M. Stanton, then Secretary of War, and a former pupil of his, appointed him a post chaplain in the United States army, and he was stationed at Fort Wayne, Detroit, 1866. He at once commenced holding services at the Fort, and June 5, 1870, with the aid of General Buchanan, commanding officer, a neat chapel was consecrated there. In 1866 he also began to hold services at the Dearborn Arsenal, and so much interest was shown in his efforts that a parish was organized in the town, Jan. 15, 1867, and largely through his exertions the present church building there was built and paid for, and consecrated Nov. 17, 1874, its corner stone having been laid Nov. 23, 1870.

In 1875, he was compelled by reason of ill health, to resign his position, and since then he has resided with his son. He has been gradually failing since his removal there.

Dr. Fitch was a fine Greek scholor, and gave much of his life to educational pursuits. He wrote two small books, one on the "Intermediate State," and the other entitled "James, the Lord's Brother." He was very fond of preaching, and even when engaged in other pursuits took much pleasure in helping his parochial brethren or in doing missionary work.

He held several positions in the diocese of Michigan at different times, being a member of the standing committee from 1844 to 1846; a delegate to general convention in 1844; secretary of the convention from 1843 to 1846, and convention preacher in 1842.

He was buried from St. Paul's church, Jeffersonville, July 15, a former pupil of his, the Rev. Dr. Chapman, officiating.

Dr. Fitch has been in the ministry fifty-two years, and although he had spent but a comparatively short space of that time in Michigan, he had many friends there who will miss his venerable figure so erect, his step so firm and his white head which was indeed his glory.

EXCHANGES.

It is with pleasure that we come to our exchanges. It is one of the most agreeable yet delicate of tasks to read and justly estimate the different papers as they come in. The best elements of a college paper are manliness, loyalty to its college and faculty, a high ideal of good writing, and especially a hatred of vulgarity in all its forms. While undergraduates cannot astonish the world by their fine rhetoric they can show good taste and a desire to attain the highest excellence.

Of all our exchanges *The Dartmouth* first claims our attention. It comes to us in its neat weekly form giving an excellent idea of Dartmouth life. Its editorials are, as a whole, to the point. They are not high-strung or stiff. However, we get little satisfaction out of the local department. Together with its poor jokes, slurs on the faculty, rams on individuals, all these jumbled together with a certain vulgarity, or, to say the least, indelicacy of expression, it strikes us as a little unworthy of its past high reputation. It may be that we have not the brains to see the point, but we are sure that those distant from Dartmouth might get an unfavorable impression from the paper. The alumni in particular, for whose interest the paper is principally conducted, must fail to derive much satisfaction in the perusal of the greater share of the locals. Except in this particular the paper is up to its former high standard, and we welcome it as one of our most interesting exchanges.

The Williams Athenæum gives good advice to the Freshmen: "In the first place, gentlemen, don't be too backward in coming forward. Take your places quietly but determinedly in the routine of college life. In college meetings, in literary societies, in the 'Gym' and on the ball ground, show the stuff there is in you, with this precaution, however, that you 'o'er step not the modesty of nature.' Do not rashly tread on Sophomoric toes, neither shrink from their presence with painful dread. They are not cherubim, but men like yourselves, as you will find after your metamorphosis. It isn't necessary to doff your hats to Seniors, as we learn some of you are doing. They don't care for it A respectful consideration is all they demand. Above all beware of the machinations of Juniors. It delighteth the Junior heart to concoct mischief and lead the guileless Freshman astray. But once in trouble he will desert you as ruthlessly as Satan did Jonah when the whale gaped."

We notice that the days of prophecy have come to pass at Williams, when "the wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, * * and the calf and the young lion * * together." The Sophs and Freshmen feasted together at the President's. The *Athenæum* has improved with its new board of editors, especially in the local department.

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